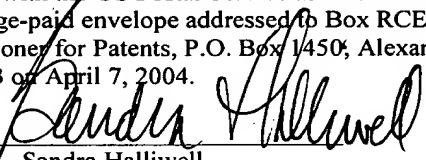


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<p>In re application of:</p> <p>ANTOLIK</p> <p>Serial No.: 09/916,784</p> <p>Filed: July 27, 2001</p> <p>Title: TWIST-N-LOCK WAFER AREA PRESSURE RING AND ASSEMBLY</p>	<p>Group Art Unit: 1763</p> <p>Examiner: KACKAR, RAM N</p> <p>Docket: LMRX-P040 (P0815)</p> <p>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the US Postal Service as First Class Mail in a postage-paid envelope addressed to Box RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313 on April 7, 2004.</p> <p>Signed:  Sandra Halliwell</p>
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AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 7, 2004, Applicant filed a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 ("RCE"), herewith along with the required fee. Applicant petitions for entry and consideration of the following Amendment and Remarks.

Please direct further correspondence to Customer Number 32986.

Applicant requests that all deficits and credits be referenced to Deposit Account No. 502284 order LMRX-P040.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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